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Fall Mushroom Season Permits Available

Macdoel, CA- Mushroom permits are currently available for the 2015 Matsutake mushroom picking season at the Goosenest Ranger District of the Klamath National Forest. The Matsutake season start and end dates fluctuate depending on area. The season for the Goosenest Ranger District began August 10, 2015 and permits may expire as late as December 12, 2015. Mushroom pickers are asked to please be respectful of the terms and conditions of the permit to maintain sustainable use to preserve the resource for future generations.

Several different types of permits are available for purchase:

- Minimum four consecutive day permit for \$20.00; and \$5.00 each additional day (for example a six-day permit is \$30.00) for up to 8 gallons of mushrooms
- A 30 consecutive day permit is \$50.00 for up to 20 gallons of mushrooms
- Full season permits are \$100.00 for up to 40 gallons of mushrooms

Harvesters should carry a photo I.D. and their valid mushroom permit while harvesting or transporting mushrooms.

Permits may be obtained at the:
Goosenest Ranger District Office
37805 Highway 97
Macdoel, CA 96058
(530) 398-4391

Conserve the Mushroom resource with 3 three simple steps:

1. Locate Matsutakes by watching for small bumps in the duff or litter layer. Raking duff layer is not allowed as it damages the mushrooms and mycelium which is essential for new mushroom growth.
2. Extract mushrooms by inserting a narrow object like a stick or knife under the base prying up and out of the ground. This will minimize damage to the mycelium ensuring a future crop.
3. Replace disturbed duff layer, minimizing disturbance.

Remember – Pack it in, Pack it out! Do not bury trash.

Fire Restrictions: The Klamath National Forest is currently under Fire Restrictions. Check with the District office (530-398-4391) or Klamath National web page (<http://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/klamath/alerts-notices/>) for current restrictions.

Motor Vehicle Use. See Gooseneast Ranger District motor vehicle use map (MVUM). Only the routes and areas displayed on MVUM are open for motor vehicle use. Motor vehicles may be parked up to 30 feet from the road surface when it is safe to do so without causing damage to the landscape.

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